

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **VICE CHAIRMAN RICK LAIBLE**, on January 14, 2003
at 8 A.M., in Room 317-B Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. John Brueggeman, Chairman (R)
Sen. Rick Laible, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. John Sinrud (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Matt Bugni, OBPP
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Branch
Amy Sassano, OBPP
Misty Shea, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are incomplete summary minutes. Testimony
and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.
DUE TO UNKNOWN MECHANICAL DIFFICULTY ACCOMPANYING
TAPE RECORDINGS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AS THEY DID NOT
RECORD.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: Department of Administration
Overview, 1/14/2003
Executive Action: None

Department of Administration Director Scott Darkenwald began an overview of the department for the committee. He provided background information, then he introduced his staff that were present: Deputy Director, Steve Bender; the State Information Technology CIO; Brian Wolf, Financial Services Administrator; Cathi Muri, Architecture and Engineering Division Administrator; Tom O'Connell, Risk Management and Tort Defense Division Chief Counsel; Bill Gianoulis, and Banking and Financial Services Division Commissioner; Annie Goodwin.

A budget presentation handout was provided to the committee that shows: agency services, administratively attached agencies, governing groups, the DOA mission, benefits of centralized service, structure, different divisions services, and employees and expenditures by division. All of this was explained in terms of accountability.

EXHIBIT(jgh07a01)

Two LFD prepared sheets were distributed showing the Department of Administration general fund starting point and options to meet unspecified reductions, and the general fund potential base comparisons by agency.

EXHIBIT(jgh07a02)

EXHIBIT(jgh07a03)

A 13-page handout was provided detailing the Consumer Protection Office within DOA; **Attorney Cort Jensen** answered questions relating, and gave the office's budget presentation for the 2003 biennium.

EXHIBIT(jgh07a04)

EXHIBIT(jgh07a05)

Administrative Financial Services Division Administrator, Cathi Muri presented their 2005 biennium budget as shown (Reference Exhibit 6) and explained.

EXHIBIT(jgh07a06)

Tom O'Connell, Administrator Architecture and Engineering Division, gave their operating budget presentation for the 2004-05 biennium and discussed it with committee members (Reference Exhibit 7.)

EXHIBIT(jgh07a07)

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Marvin Eicholtz, General Services Division Administrator, gave their 2005 biennium budget presentation and discussed the organization.

EXHIBIT (jgh07a08)

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:20 A.M.

REP. JOHN BRUEGGEMAN, Chairman

MISTY SHEA, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (jgh07aad)